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We Have Lost The Coffee



Synopsis

London, 2045. Three months into the Coffee Wars and Britain's caffeine supplies are at critical levels. Brits are drinking even more tea than usual, keeping a stiff upper lip and praying for an end to it all. A secret Government coffee stockpile could save the day – but then mysteriously disappears overnight. One man is asked to unravel the missing-coffee mystery. His name is Pond. Howie Pond. And he's in desperate need of a triple espresso. Meanwhile, his journalist wife, Britt, is hunting royal fugitive Emma Windsor on the streets of the capital. Can Howie save the British Republic from caffeine-starved chaos? Will the runaway royal be found? And just what will desperate coffee drinkers do for their next caffeine fix? Find out, in Paul Mathews' latest comedy-thriller set in the Britain of the future – US #1 Best Seller in 'British Humor & Satire' and 'Political Humor' -- 'We Have Lost The Coffee' is packed with dry British humour, political satire, dozens of comedy characters and enough coffee jokes to keep you awake all night. It's full of crazy action and adventure in London, and beyond, and is guaranteed to set your pulse racing faster than a quadruple espresso. Book 3 in the best-selling 'We Have Lost' series, this novel can also be enjoyed as a stand-alone comedy adventure. WHAT THE REVIEWS SAY "Great fun! Fast-paced comedy and suspense with a generous serving of satire. You'll want to read the series." "I don't even like coffee ... but this book was still terrific. I love how so many of the side characters continue to appear in these novels. Makes it feel more real ... I read it on a plane and startled my seatmate a few times when I couldn't suppress the giggles. Fast-paced and fun, with a light mystery woven into the fabric. Howie and Britt rock. I can't wait for the next one!" "Great book! Really funny quirky English humor! I am starting on the first book now, We Have Lost The President. But books are easily read independently." "A real kick ... And a fun read." "I have read all three of the 'We Have Lost the ...' books, and they started out good and are getting better ... The characters are 3-dimensional, well developed, likable and consistent throughout. The story lines are fun, and the humor will make you laugh out loud at times. I am waiting for #4. Thank you, Mr. Mathews." "Another entertainingly funny novel by Paul Mathews ... A happy read."

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Customer Reviews

A light hearted fun read.

We Have Lost the Coffee is an amusing and entertaining journey through the streets of London. Sadly, I am only about 60% through, though that is more a reflection on me than the writer. Mr. Matthews writes in a fast-paced, delightful manner that keeps the reader going to discover the answer to the mysteries. Will Howie find the missing coffee? Will Britt catch her woman? Are these things related? I truly enjoy Howie and Britt's relationship - it feels very real to me in that they're not constantly in each others pockets and they share an easy comradery. However, I did give the story 4 stars because of a technicality. I'm not fond of the random occurrences of 2nd person throughout the story. I do plan to update my review once I've completed the story, and I also hope to read the other two books in the "Lost" series. Mr. Matthews is well-worth the read.

Another entertainingly funny novel by Paul Mathews. The story is set in the future in the UK, which is no longer a kingdom or queendom, but a republic and instead of hordes of legendary English tea drinkers the citizens are now addicted to coffee, Earl Grey being the only acceptable tea. As the title tells us, there is no more coffee in Britain. All coffee producing countries are boycotting Britain. The hero, Howie Pond, spokesperson for the President, is once again in the spy game, while his reporter wife, Britt, chases down a royal who has illegally entered Britain. A happy read.

This is the second book in this series by this author that I have read. I enjoyed this one more than

the *We Have Lost the Pelicans*. This one has much less of the too-true-to-life hapless heads of state and more fun, slapstick type humor. A great light read without an annoying redemption theme or adrenaline-releasing action or romantic stuff (there are human relationships) or cloying friendship stuff. Yes, I DO sound grumpy but I just want to have a nice light story once in awhile without the aforementioned stuff. I hope the author continues. I will follow.

this is the first book of Paul's I have read, although I have bought the other two so will be reading them shortly as I thought this book was well written. The main characters are believable even if the premise is a bit silly. the story follows them as they try to find out who stole the last of the coffee in the UK. the story is set in the near future and Paul definitely makes the most of this by changing things slightly to fit the story, such as the UK having a president. this book is well worth a read if you want a light hearted easy comedy.

I don't even like coffee, so couldn't relate to the decaffeinated panic, but this book was still terrific. I love how so many of the side characters continue to appear in these novels. Makes it feel more real, well, future real... I read it on a plane and startled my seatmate a few times when I couldn't suppress the giggles. Fast-paced and fun, with a light mystery woven into the fabric. Howie and Britt rock. I can't wait for the next one!

I have read all three of the "We Have Lost the ..." books, and they started out good and are getting better. The British willingness to make gentle fun of themselves, their government, and their conventions is refreshing and shows a healthy national self confidence. I wish we still had that here in the "New States". The characters are 3-dimensional, well developed, likable and consistent throughout. The story lines are fun, and the humor will make you laugh out loud at times. I am waiting for #4. Thank you, Mr. Mathews.

I really enjoyed this third book in the "We've lost...." series. If you'd like to know what your countries leaders are doing during meetings, this book is a great and funny behind the scenes view.... I like the style of alternating chapters describing the adventures of Howie and Britt. However it makes it a lot more difficult to put the book down to participate in real life activities. The plot keeps playing in your head waiting for answers. Looking forward to the next book. Btw. just saw some Chihuahuas?!

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